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In ref. Application of Jerry M. Edmondson

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For: ENERGY EFFICIENT COMPACT OIL AND WATER SEPARATOR

Group Art Unit: 1724

Examiner: Matthew O. Savage

Newport Beach, CA March 08, 2006

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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the office action mailed 12/21/2005 please amend the application as follows:

The drawing objected to has been changed to include the "2a" as noted. A Replacement drawing is provided.

The "means for imparting an electric field" has been eliminated from the new claims and therefore no drawing change is required relative to that.

A replacement sheet 6R is provided with the number --- 5 --- inserted after "firetube".

Other objections should be overcome through the cancellation of claims 1 through 15 and the submission of new claims that better describe the invention.

With respect to my invention being unpatentable over Fenwick in view of Edmondson and/or Bull I believe the new claims will overcome such objection.

I appreciate the thoroughness of the examination and believe the examiners comments has helped the inventor in better defining the invention.